

TABLE:

Premier League Division 1

1st Grade:

	P	W	D	L	B	F	A	Pt
Monaro	13	8	3	2	3	42	18	30
Capital City Suns	13	9	1	3	1	42	17	29
Weston Creek	13	7	4	2	4	31	18	29
Belconnen United	13	8	2	3	2	40	14	28
Canberra Olympic	13	7	2	4	1	29	15	24
Canberra Deakin	13	7	2	4	1	25	18	24
Gungahlin Juventus	13	6	1	6	1	22	23	20
Uni of Canberra	13	3	1	9	1	22	36	11
Burns Club	13	2	0	11	0	9	51	6
Queanbeyan City	13	0	0	13	0	16	68	0

Under 23's

	P	W	D	L	B	F	A	Pt
Belconnen United	13	8	3	2	3	61	19	30
Uni of Canberra	13	9	1	3	1	56	14	29
Monaro	13	7	4	2	4	43	21	29
Weston Creek	13	7	4	2	4	32	20	29
Canberra Olympic	13	5	5	3	3	31	14	23
Capital City Suns	13	5	1	7	1	45	37	17
Canberra Deakin	13	4	3	6	1	34	22	16
Burns Club	13	4	2	7	1	22	27	15
Gungahlin Juventus	13	4	1	8	0	39	39	13
Queanbeyan City	13	0	0	13	0	3	153	0

Cosmos Youth

	P	W	D	L	B	F	A	Pt
Belconnen United	13	13	0	0	0	62	10	39
Uni of Canberra	13	10	1	2	1	44	14	32
Gungahlin Juventus	12	9	0	3	0	45	17	27
Weston Creek	13	8	1	4	1	46	27	26
Canberra Deakin	13	7	1	5	1	37	28	23
Monaro	13	4	1	8	1	29	46	14
Capital City Suns	12	4	1	7	1	17	34	14
Canberra Olympic	13	3	0	10	0	15	50	9
Burns Club	13	2	0	11	0	17	48	6
Queanbeyan City	13	1	1	11	1	16	54	5

Note: Queanbeyan City forfeited to Weston Creek Royals - Youth 27.6.99

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TABLE:

Premier League Division 2

1st Grade:

	P	W	D	L	B	F	A	Pt
O'Connor Knights	16	12	4	0	2	32	5	42
Tuggeranong United	16	10	3	3	3	47	17	36
Cooma	16	8	2	6	0	29	27	26
ANU	16	5	5	6	4	31	27	24
White Eagles	16	6	2	8	2	30	30	22
Belwest Foxes	16	6	2	8	2	31	36	22
Sabres FC	15	2	6	7	5	22	42	17
ADFA	15	1	2	12	2	12	50	7

Reserve Grade:

	P	W	D	L	B	F	A	Pt
O'Connor Knights	16	13	1	2	1	37	12	41
Tuggeranong United	16	11	0	5	0	52	38	33
ANU	16	10	1	5	1	40	18	32
Belwest Foxes	16	10	0	6	0	53	20	30
White Eagles	16	8	2	6	2	37	29	28
ADFA	15	4	1	10	1	24	41	14
Sabres FC	15	3	1	11	1	16	42	11
Cooma	16	0	2	14	2	10	68	4

Rockets Youth League

	P	W	D	L	B	F	A	Pt
Tuggeranong United	13	12	1	0	1	65	13	38
Belconnen United	12	9	0	3	0	48	24	27
Belwest Foxes	12	5	1	6	1	28	28	17
Radford	13	4	0	9	0	21	30	12
Southern Spirit	12	4	0	8	0	24	50	12
Belsouth	12	2	0	10	0	15	56	6

Note: ADFA forfeited both games against O'Connor Knights 3.7.99

Golden Boot Chase

14: S. Lazzari (WCK)

11: D. Bartone (UoC), T. Lemezina (CCS), D. Macor (Mon)

10: L. Simeonov (Mon)

9: M. Whyte (Bel)

7: J. Glass (Juv), G. Howarth (COly)

6: P. Hader (WCK), J. Campagna (Mon)

5: 6 players

CANBERRA SOCCER NEWS

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EDITORIAL:

I am extremely happy to say that I have been able to get five completely different match reports from five different people this week.

This is a rarity and I thank George Lemon and the Canberra Racing industry for allowing it to happen. As there haven't been Sunday racing meetings over the last two weekends, Hamish Neal has been available to help out.

Hence, there is little else here at the moment, except for a story on volunteering for the 2000 Olympics.

Some notes for the future are that on Saturday August 14th at 7:30pm Bruce Stadium will host the first leg of the Australia v Bahrain Joeys clash.

This is the game to select the 16th and last team to compete in New Zealand at the World Under 17 Championships. We beg you all to come out and cheer on the Joeys.

Later in the year, December in fact, Australia will be host to a Soccer tournament which will include the United States, the Czech Republic, Norway and our own Matildas.

Yes, this is a tournament for women. Our girls didn't perform as well as many hoped for in the World Cup in the US last month, but they are improving and we look forward to them doing well in this tournament.

Meanwhile the Finals are getting closer and closer, and in this Issue and from now on we will have the "Run to the Finals" with details of who plays who until it all ends for this season.

Enjoy your soccer,

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SOCOG VOLUNTEERS

SOCOG will need the assistance of 50,000 volunteers to successfully stage the Olympics and Paralympic Games in 2000.

Half of these are General Volunteers - people working in roles such as Spectator Services, Access Control and Hospitality, etc.

The other half are Specialist Volunteers - people with specific skills working in specialised roles eg Technology, Media, Sport, Language services.

Many of these Specialist Volunteers are tertiary students who will be carrying out these volunteer roles as part of the practical component of their courses. (Eg Technology specialist volunteers at University of Canberra and ANU, Media students at University of Canberra).

This past week SOCOG were training the interviewers in Canberra - these are also volunteers. Some have come from Volunteering ACT, and others are students developing their interview skills as part of their courses at the University of Canberra and CIT.

Interviews will begin immediately and continue throughout the year.

Canberra will be staging Olympic Football and local organisers will need the assistance of about 750 volunteers. Volunteers will receive training, as well as meals and transport at Games time. Most of all they will have the experience of being part of the team successfully staging the Games in Canberra.

Volunteers can still apply to work in Canberra by calling the local SOCOG office on 6207 2220.

Further information is available from Steve Doszpot, SOCOG Event Director on 6207 2220 or mobile 0419 232 927



Queanbeyan City Lions 1 (0) Capital City Suns 10 (6)

By George Lemon

Queanbeyan City went down 10-1 to Capital City Suns Sunday in the 'Macedonian Derby'.

The emphatic victory at Riverside Soccer ground took the Suns into second position on the league ladder. Whilst it left Queanbeyan City still without a win.

A four goal haul in the first half to former Cosmos striker, Tony Lemezina left the four hundred strong crowd spellbound.

Suns' assistant coach Ian Shaw was ecstatic with Lemezina's form.

"This guy is by far the best striker in Canberra. He is an absolute magician." Shaw said.

Lemezina was first on board with a strike in the 7th minute of the match. Fourteen minutes later he scored again from a penalty after being brought down in the box by Queanbeyan midfielder Vasko Stojceski.

However, it was the goal that gave him his hatrick that brought the crowd to its feet. Lemezina attacking on the left fired in a shot that curled into the top right corner, leaving the Queanbeyan goalie in a daze.

In the 25th minute, fellow striker Pat Phommaseisy, not to be out-done by Lemezina, fired in the first of his four goals. Three minutes later he added a second after great lead up work by Lemezina and Luka Ujdur.

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Lemezina's fourth goal came in the 33rd minute after a free kick bounced off Queanbeyan's wall. Lemezina was first to the ball and guided it through a 'scrum' of defenders giving the Suns a resounding 6-0 lead at the break.

Five minutes after the break, Phommaseisy found some open space and side-kicked the ball into the net.

Queanbeyan's only goal came in the 60th minute, when ACT Academy player Goran Veljanovski hammered in a shot that the Suns goalie Tony Giannasca couldn't repeal.

A minute later the Suns hit back through the goal of the match and probably one of the best of the season. Midfielder, Shane Lyons fired in a 25-metre curling-rocket after good lead up work by second-half replacement Yuki Onda and Stan Blazevski.

Phommaseisy fired in the Suns 9th goal whilst Cosmos midfielder Ilija Prenzowski chipped the Queanbeyan goalie to close the scoring.

Dojcinovski was very pleased with the victory.

"I am happy because it was a team effort. I am especially pleased with the up front combination of Lemezina and Phommaseisy. It is a little bit like the 'Master and his Apprentice'." Dojcinovski said.

Queanbeyan City coach, Danny Burt was very disappointed with the result.

"This was our 'grand final', more than anything we wanted to win this one. But what I can say, Capital City Suns were too good on the day. They have a team that can go all the way." Said Burt.

In a team that was very overshadowed by the Suns, Queanbeyan's exciting midfielder Goran Veljanovski shined.



Weston Creek Royals 3 (1)



Monaro 3 (1)

By Greg Welsh

The Weston Creek Royals scored two late goals to force an exciting 3-3 draw with ACT Premier League leaders Monaro at Woden Park on Sunday.

The top-of-the-table clash (which incidentally featured four sets of brothers) provided more twists and turns, thrills and spills than a rollercoaster ride, with spectators kept on the edges of their seats to the final whistle.

On the half-hour mark, Steve Lazzari held up the ball outside the Monaro penalty area, before playing back to Yushi Sato. The Royals midfielder slotted an inch-perfect through-ball for Peter Hader, who charged into the box and sent a left-foot shot past Monaro keeper Tony Guarino.

The goal seemed to enliven the Royals, and they almost increased their lead four minutes later. This time Steve Lazzari laid off for Hami Adhami whose first-time effort was well saved down low by Guarino.

In reply, Macor forced a full-stretch save from Weston keeper Hassan Adhami before Martin Lazzari managed to clear the danger.

As the play continued to switch from end to end, Hader set off on a weaving path into the Monaro area before a sliding tackle by Jimmy Baxter halted the run.

Baxter turned provider a minute later when he knocked a long ball towards teammate Darryl North. With his back to goal, the midfielder sent a glancing header spinning into the back of the Weston net to level the scores at the break.

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Monaro resumed in fiery mode, and an inspired minute from John Rakic seemed to put the result firmly in their keeping.

In the 55th minute, left wing-back Brent Chick sent a low ball through to Rakic in front of goal. The right half took one touch to control the ball and another to send it past Adhami for a 2-1 lead.

Only a matter of seconds later, Rakic collected the ball just inside the Weston half and passed forward to Danny Macor. The Monaro captain held up the ball before chipping delightfully into the path of Rakic, who had continued his run into the Weston area.

Rakic toed the ball past the advancing Weston keeper before finishing from an acute angle to give Monaro a commanding two-goal lead.

However the Royals were not about to lay down, and over the next thirty minutes they laid constant siege to the Monaro line.

The first of their chances fell to substitute Nabil Adhami, who joined his two brothers in the 67th minute. A minute later he sent a volley over the Monaro goal from two yards out, and six minutes further on Hader did only marginally better when he headed against the crossbar from the same range.

But with time fast running out, the Royals managed to reduce the margin thanks to fullback Adrian Paragalli, who connected with a Tim Webb cross to set up a frantic last few minutes.

And to complete a turbulent ninety minutes of exciting football, Nabil Adhami well and truly atoned for his earlier miss by heading over the Monaro line.

Monaro coach Andrew Monterosso was obviously disappointed with allowing the win to slip away. "We came out in the second half and Raks in five minutes turned 1-1 into 3-1 and we were cruising," Monterosso said. "I think the last ...eight or ten minutes we just crumbled, just fell asleep."

Royals coach Jimmy Bland paid tribute to his team's fighting spirit. "We were still hopeful of getting something out of the game, even though we were 3-1 behind," Bland said. "If we can play the next three weeks as we have today, I'll be more than happy."



Gungahlin Juventus 0 (0)



Canberra Deakin 3 (0)

By Dylan Durie

Canberra Deakin kept their finals hopes alive with a convincing 3-0 victory over Gungahlin Juventus in their ACT Premier League match at Jamison Oval on Sunday.

Despite being unable to score until the second half, Deakin were always in control and strikes from Ben Deighan, Paul Ivanic and Marcelo Munoz gave them a deserved victory.

While neither side dominated possession in the first half, it was Deakin who were able to manufacture the bulk of the scoring opportunities.

Their first chance came as early as the 3rd minute when Anthony Rakic blasted into the side netting after being played through by Deighan, then a few minutes later Vince Bodo volleyed over from close range after smart lead up work on the right by Anthony Barac.

Shortly after Deakin clearly should have had a penalty when Munoz beat several defenders to force his way clear in the penalty box before being fouled as he steadied to shoot, but the referee gave a goal kick.

George Cattanaach squandered Juventus' best chance of the half when a clever ball by John Glass sprung the offside trap but Cattanaach could only hit the post when he should have done better.

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It took Deakin just 8 minutes of the 2nd half to break the deadlock, Deighan and Munoz combining in a convoluted manner to produce a goal. First Deighan forced a quality diving save from Juventus' keeper Dennis Langone from 20 yards before being fouled as he followed in. Munoz' low free kick was also deflected just wide before his corner was headed home by Deighan.

Deakin seemed to take confidence from this as they began to dominate the match, being particularly devastating on the break as they sucked Juventus forward.

Paul Ivanic was ruled narrowly offside after Deighan played him in from one such attack, before yet another break saw Ivanic shoot just over from a good position after more good lead up work from Deighan and Bodo.

Juventus' only real chances of the half came from two corners by Utah Nirvana. John Glass failed to get enough power behind a clear header from the first, then from the resulting corner Craig Rankine deserved better as a bullet header was palmed away from the corner of the goal by Deakin 'keeper Pedro Pavez.

Deakin wrapped up the points in the 67th minute when another fast break saw Ivanic bearing down on goal and scoring from the rebound after his initial effort was blocked by Langone.

The sting vanished from the game after this and Munoz' goal came in injury time, a smart finish at the far post after a quality cross by Mark Djikic.

Deakin coach Bernie Lustica was very pleased with his team's performance, especially as it came after some unflattering results in previous weeks and without the services of Leo Langone or Gabby Exposito.

"It was a good performance, we need a bit of improvement if we are to beat sides better than Juventus, but I am quite happy".



Canberra Olympic 3 (2)



University of Canberra 0 (0)

By Hamish Neal

In what coach Sebastian Giampolo described as probably their "poorest display" of the season Canberra Olympic registered a 3-0 victory over an understrength University of Canberra team at O'Connor Oval

This ACT Premier League game was won in those vital periods near the start of the game and half time with Olympic scoring in the first 2 minutes of both halves. Olympic scored their first of the game when it looked like one of their players had handballed the ball near halfway.

Consequently some Uni defenders and a few Olympic attackers stood back briefly expecting the free-kick to be awarded. This was enough time for a well-directed cross to be aimed at Elli Salloum who angled the ball into the back of the net and struck and significant psychological blow which University never really seemed to recover from.

For the next half an hour Olympic dominated the attacking aspect of the game with the students defending grimly to stay in the match. During this period University, whilst they were repelling

Olympic's countless attacking raids, weren't clearing the ball with much effectiveness. This came back to haunt them in the 32nd minute when a clearance went only 30 metres. It was feed to Njegosh Popovich from the Olympic midfield and the Universities' keeper Chris Freeman was left sprawling on the deck.

Towards the end of the first half the match began to get a little silly with both sides engaging in alot of backchat. This came to a head after some bad challenges and a few players were booked.

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Two minutes into the second half Universities clearing defence let them down again when after an Olympic corner the rebound off the University defence was put away by Pino Seminara. That goal put University of Canberra out of the match and changed their focus to saving goals rather than scoring them and it saw Olympic ease off the accelerator.

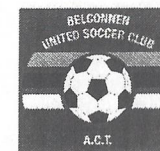
Universities stepped up their attacks in the second half, with Peter Parapiko in particular, trying their utmost to restore some pride but the Olympic defence stopped the raids with ease due to the lack of University support for their attackers. Olympics best chance, following their third goal, was right towards the end of the game when Freeman couldn't regather after a solid shot and the second bite of the cherry hit the post

Both coaches weren't completely happy with their sides performances which was patchy. Sebastian Giampolo of Olympic saying that his side really focussed on "self-preservation" once they got their three-nil lead. He was impressed with the commitment of the Universities team and is now looking "week-to-week" for his side as they make their charge to the finals.

Rod Lynes believed his side "competed well" and was happy with the performance of his under 23 players who made the step up to the premier league to cover for the players unavailable through injury. Lynes also said that it is hard for his young team to compete against the likes of the Olympic.



Burns Club 0 (0)



Belconnen United 4 (1)

By Nick Guoth

Belconnen United defeated the Burns Club 4-0 at Greenway Oval, but both managers believed that the need for a true goalscorer was evident.

For Bels, they needed someone to take advantage of all the opportunities they generated, whilst on the other side, Burns lack of goals during the season speaks for itself.

Some of the blame could be laid on the pitch at Greenway as a Rugby League game was played the previous day, but other glaring opportunities needed more embarrassing excuses.

With a gale coming straight through the field, Belconnen decided to take the wind in the hope that they could finish the game off early and have an easier time in the second.

Camped down in the Burns half for nearly all of the period, they generated chance after chance, but in the first half-hour they just could not even force the young Burns keeper, Joachim Milsom, to touch the ball.

Still, some of the credit must go to the Burns team as they pulled everyone behind the ball and tried desperately to still be in the game at the break. Solid defence from Tim Skinner, Karl Varley and led by Peter Thompson closed down every opportunity that looked close.

It wasn't until the 28th minute that the deadlock was broken. In their first shot on target they scored. A corner from Jaime Munro found Matt Whyte free to head past Milsom.

Just five minutes later Munro was nearly made to pay for his sins. He was robbed of the ball by Greg Lemin not to far outside his own penalty area. Lemin's shot beat Rade Kosanovic in goal, but not the upright as it slid away for a goalkick.

Belconnen came out in the second half with more purpose. Even though they were now fighting the gale, they still maintained the pressure. Two early shots, one from Craig Unwin and the other a header by Lee Pietrukowski saw Milsom make some spectacular saves.

Then on the hour, Burns should have equalised. A corner kick towards the far post was headed into the lap of Mike Katz. His shot was partially saved by Kosanovic and then cleared off the line.

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Then Belconnen pounced to put the game out of reach with two goals in seven minutes. A cross from the left wasn't cleared by the Burns defence and when it fell to Scott Manson, he buried the chance.

The third of the game came from a corner. The ball floated in the wind and beat everyone trying to head it. Adrian Dowling, lurking 8m out, noticed it at his feet all of a sudden and made sure there was nothing but net.

Matt Whyte missed a beautiful opportunity only a few minutes later when he was put in for a one-one by substitute Luke Larfield. He sent the ball past the keeper, but nowhere near the goal.

In the last few minutes, the final nail was hammered in. Substitute Daniel Camara picked up a loose pass from Burns, beat a few players and shot. The ball hit the right upright and rebounded behind the keeper and across the goal where it found Unwin following in for the easiest of tap-ins.

Bels coach Lino Fiorese was happy with the team's performance, but felt they should have taken the chances they generated in the first half. "They made things difficult for us in the first half, but in the second the game was more open."

For Burns, Steve Bryant said "the lads lost concentration. It's difficult and frustrating, but hopefully the lads are learning."

Run to the Finals

Monaro (30): Olympic, Uni of Canberra, Canberra Deakin, Belconnen United, Capital City Suns

Capital City Suns (29): Burns, Weston Creek Royals, Canberra Olympic, Uni of Canberra, Monaro

Weston Creek Royals (29): Belconnen United, Capital City Suns, Gungahlin Juventus, Queanbeyan City Lions, Burns Club

Belconnen United (28): Weston Creek Royals, Canberra Olympic, University of Canberra, Monaro, Canberra Deakin

Canberra Olympic (24): Monaro, Belconnen United, Capital City Suns, Gungahlin Juventus, Queanbeyan City Lions

Canberra Deakin (24): Uni of Canberra, Queanbeyan City Lions, Monaro, Burns Club, Belconnen United

Gungahlin Juventus (21): Queanbeyan City Lions, Burns Club, Weston Creek Royals, Canberra Olympic, Uni of Canberra

Premier League Division 2 Report

A quick report today, but the news is that Belwest Foxes are not doing so well having dropped out of the Top 4 in 1st Grade and to a precarious 4th place in the Reserve Grade. They play ANU this week and could regain their position in 1st Grade with a win.

ADFA 0 (0)

White Eagles 5 (2)
Bettay 3
E. Bonnett 2

Belwest Foxes 0 (0)

Tuggeranong United 3 (1)
W. Smith
G. Claveria
L. David

Sabres FC 2 (1)
W. Schneider
T. Donaldson

ANU 3 (1)
S. Channing 3

O'Connor Knights 0 (0) Cooma 0 (0)

CSN Predictions for Week 14

Belconnen United v Weston Creek Royals
Hawker Oval: 2pm (1st Rd 1-1)

A tight game with both teams playing well. It's also the last tough game for Weston. Good forwards and good defence on both sides. Bels have Marko Perinovic back from suspension and he will be a handfull for the likes of Dale and Parragalli. Still, at the other end is the combo of Lazzari and Hader to cause havoc.

PICK: DRAW

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Monaro v Canberra Olympic
2pm Riverside Satdium (1st Rd Monaro 2-0)
Every game for Olympic is a grand final, but here they come up against the current leaders who won't want to give up that position too easily.
PICK: MONARO

Canberra Deakin v Uni of Canberra
2pm: Deakin Oval (1st Rd Deakin 3-0)
Deakin are making a final push for the Top 4, and this is a good game for them to keep that momentum going. Uni plagued by injuries and other losses will not put up too much of a fight.
PICK: DEAKIN

Gungahlin Juventus v Queanbeyan City Lions
2pm: Majura Oval (1st Rd Juventus 4-3)
Juventus, although now somewhat out of the race for the Finals should be too strong for Queanbeyan.
PICK: JUVENTUS

Capital City Suns v Burns Club
2pm: O'Connor Oval (1st Rd Suns 4-0)
Suns are on a roll after their previous 3 big wins and the youngsters of Burns will struggle.
PICK: SUNS



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